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**CONCORD, NEW HAMPSHIRE**--United States Attorney for the District of New Hampshire Tom Colantuono, the Federal Bureau of Investigation Special Agent in Charge of the Boston Field Division Kenneth Kaiser, and Manchester Police Chief John Jaskolka announce the arrest of **GARY SAHLIN**, age 26, of Pompano Beach, Florida, on a charge of bank robbery in connection with the August 6, 2003, robbery of the Fleet Bank located at 2626 Brown Avenue in Manchester, New Hampshire. **SAHLIN** was taken into custody by the Broward County (Florida) Sheriff's Office and the FBI Miami Field Office last evening, and appeared before a federal magistrate in Miami earlier today. **SAHLIN** was ordered by the federal magistrate to be detained and to be transported by the United States Marshal's Service to New Hampshire. Upon his arrival, he will appear before Magistrate Judge James Muirhead.

**SAHLIN** is a former Manchester Police Officer, having served first as a civilian dispatcher beginning in December 1999, and then as a sworn member of the Department from July 5, 2000, until his resignation from the Department on May 22, 2003. He is believed to have recently moved to Pompano Beach, Florida, and had traveled back to New Hampshire on August 2, 2003, and returned to Florida in the late afternoon of August 6, 2003.

United States Attorney Colantuono expressed his gratitude to the FBI Miami Field Office, the Broward County (Florida) Sheriff's Office, and the United States Postal Inspectors for their assistance to the Manchester Police and the FBI in this investigation. "The strong collaborative effort of the many agencies involved in this case was crucial to the arrest of Mr. Sahlin," said Colantuono. The investigation is on-going.

The case is being prosecuted by Assistant United States Attorney Terry L. Ollila.

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